

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L RABAT 5413

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: OAU XY MO  
SUBJECT: CEAO NON-AGGRESSION AND MUTUAL DEFENSE PACT

REF: STATE 231389

1. MFA DIRECTOR OF AFRICAN-ASIAN AFFAIRS BISBIS TOLD NEA/AFN DIRECTOR BISHOP AND EMBOFF SEPT 29 THAT MOROCCO, ALTHOUGH NOT A PACT MEMBER, SAW THE ASSOCIATION AS A POSITIVE DEVELOPMENT. HE CLAIMED THAT MOROCCO HAD NO FORMAL UNDERTAKINGS WITH THE GROUPING BUT THAT IT OBVIOUSLY WOULD VIEW WITH SYMPATHY ANY REQUESTS TO BE OF ASSISTANCE. HE ALSO CLAIMED THAT NIGER HAD DECIDED TO JOIN, ALTHOUGH IT HAD NOT YET FORMALLY ADHERED.

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2. COMMENT: FOR THE GOM, PERCEIVED ALGERIAN AND LIBYAN AGGRESSIVENESS ARE THE MOST IMMEDIATE THREAT, BUT, AS THE SHABA INTERVENTION PROVED, THE GOM IS AT TIMES WILLING TO EXERT ITSELF IN RESPONSE TO WHAT IT SEES AS THE BROADER THREAT OF COMMUNIST EXPANSION IN AFRICA. WHILE MOROCCO'S COMMITMENTS TO THE WEST AFRICAN ORGANIZATION REMAIN VAGUE AND INFORMAL, WE HAVE NO DOUBT THAT THE PACT WAS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED BY THE GOM AND

COULD EXPECT TO RECEIVE MORE CONCRETE MOROCCAN ASSISTANCE IN  
THE EVENT ITS TERMS WERE INVOKED, DEPENDING AS ALWAYS ON  
CIRCUMSTANCES.  
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